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The average daily circulation of the
 Barre Daily Times for the week ending
 Saturday was

4,615

copies, the largest paid circulation of
 any daily paper in this section.

Randolph is booming; it gets a new
 milk industry and is able to fill its new
 theatre.

By a strange correlation of events,
 holidays and crimes come at the same
 time. Note Wednesday's list.

FREE SKATING RINKS.

If the city is going into the skating
 rink business, it may be as well at the
 outset to realize the necessities of the
 situation, chief of which is the need for
 frequent care of the rink, for instance,
 removing the snow as often as it falls.
 Otherwise it would be useless to under-
 take the contract. Those who have had
 any connection with artificial skating
 rinks and who have endeavored to con-
 duct them to profit understand well
 enough the perplexities that are con-
 stantly coming up. The city will have
 all of these. Still, the project is a rea-
 sonable one, as the triple drowning ac-
 cident at Castleton yesterday points out.
 A safe place in which the children may
 amuse themselves and secure the ben-
 efits of healthful exercise is one of the
 assets of a community, whether it be in
 the form of a skating rink, a gymnasium
 or an athletic field. The profits will be
 eventually realized, although not in coin.

BOILS ON THE LEGAL PROFESSION.

The legal fraternity is fortunate in
 having an avenue by which it can purge
 itself of unworthy members, and in that
 respect is far better situated than other
 professions, unless we except the minis-
 try, which, on its own action, can expel
 clergymen from a denomination and thus
 eventually drive them from the ranks
 entirely. Disbarment, in the case of
 a lawyer, is a "big stick" which all
 its members feel to be very cogent, and
 its force is extremely feared by those
 who disgrace the profession. But brotherly
 courtesy and professional classiness
 have prevented frequent exercise of
 the power in Vermont; the lack of its
 use must not be misunderstood as show-
 ing the absolute purity of the Vermont
 bar. From time to time cases are crop-
 ping up which seem to merit disbarment,
 but for some reason or other no steps
 to that end are taken.

However, if the bar wishes to keep
 its skirts clear, summary action now
 and then would prove most efficacious.
 No decent, self-respecting lawyer would
 be guilty of intimidation, of manufactur-
 ing evidence, of conspiracy, of black-
 mailing and of the numerous malodorous
 subterfuges which we see now and again.
 There is some basis for the sweeping
 statement made by Judge DeCourcy of
 the superior bench in Massachusetts,
 who recently said: "Judging from the
 high standard of the bar of which you
 speak, I feel that the bench has toler-
 ated, if not recognized, lower stand-
 ards. I feel that it is especially true
 when I sit in the criminal and divorce
 sessions, and especially in the divorce
 court. If this high standard (referred
 to by an attorney in arguing a disbarment
 case) were upheld, a majority of
 attorneys would be disbarred." The
 prevalence of boils on the legal profes-
 sion requires a medicine to cleanse the
 blood.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Beauty Marred.

No more pleasing sight is to be seen
 than the long lines of rosy-cheeked ladies
 and lasses that throng daily through the
 streets on their way to and from school.
 But the beauty of the scene is marred
 when the lads take to throwing hard
 snowballs as swift as they can while go-
 ing through crowded Main street and
 across the stone bridge, where the pas-
 sage is necessarily limited. Those who
 are obliged to wear eye-glasses realize
 to the full what a menace a swift snow-
 ball is when thrown by a strong boy.
 A case in hand is that of a young lady
 wearing glasses who was struck in the
 eye, breaking her glasses and cutting
 her lids so badly that she had to be taken
 to a doctor. Wholesome sport is all
 right, but snowballing on the main
 street is as much out of place as a bull
 in a china store.—Middlebury Register.

The Muckrake Caravan.

All you farmers along the pike had bet-
 ter lay low, lay low,
 For the men who reform this blooming
 world will soon be moving, you know.

They'll see you a-putting the water in
 the milk that is deemed too stout,
 And Helicon hall will get you if you
 don't watch out.

All you villagers on the trail had bet-
 ter be good, be good,
 The muckrake wagon train's on the way
 —let that be understood—
 All who have faults to bide, to hide,
 Had better be hidin' them now,
 For Helicon hall will raise a fuss—a
 regular Helicon row.

All you city folk, far and wide, had
 better brace up, brace up,
 You'd better be sure your record's clear
 before you sit down to sup.
 For Helicon hall is on the move and
 looking for things that's wrong.
 So get out the whitewash brush you
 all, ere the caravan comes along.
 —Denver Republican.

Special for Saturday



Yes, they are
 dropping, and to-
 day it is Smok-
 ing Jackets and
 Bath Robes that
 have dropped
 from \$6.00, \$5.00
 and \$3.00 to
 \$4.25, \$3.75
 and \$2.25. See
 window. Watch
 this space and al-
 so circulars an-
 nouncing a change
 in our business
 methods January
 1st, 1908.

ANNOUNCEMENT

On January 1, 1908, we mean
 to make a change in our business
 methods, which will be to your
 interest as well as ours.

For a long time we've been
 studying the question of Cash or
 Credit in running a successful
 store, and have sought the advice
 of all the wise heads from Benja-
 min Franklin down on this point,
 and the sum of the opinion is that
 a Cash System is decidedly the
 best for customers and ourselves.

"He That Pays Ready Money
 Escapes Paying Interest."

If you pay us Cash we can pay
 Cash to the manufacturers. We
 both escape paying interest, so
 both pay less than by the credit
 method.

So all our dealings after Janu-
 ary 1, 1908, are to be on a strictly
 Cash basis. We mean to give
 you the best goods to be had at
 the least possible price.

EUR COATS TO RENT.
 WE CLEAN, PRESS AND
 REPAIR CLOTHING.

PH. ROGERS & CO.
 174 North Main St., Barre, Vt.

JINGLES AND JESTS

Too Many Precedents.
 Ah, poor young man! He has no chance
 To show his worth;
 No undiscovered continents
 Are left on earth;
 Columbus, had it been his fate
 To live to-day,
 Might serve beneath some section boss
 For little pay.

Oh, poor young man! He cannot see
 His gifts, ah! lack!
 No Asterix remains to lose,
 No Rome to sack,
 The past has both Thermopylae
 And Waterloo—
 What is there that the poor young man
 May hope to do?

Newton, Galileo, Morse,
 Have lived and wrought;
 Homer, Shakespeare, Milton, Pope,
 And Burns and Scott!
 Ah, if they had not written all
 There was to write,
 He might take up his pen and give
 The world delight.

Raphael, Titian, Rembrandt—how
 With paint and brush
 May he expect to be supreme?
 Huge vessels rush
 From hemisphere to hemisphere,
 The winds defying,
 Because a Fulton had a plan
 He thought worth trying.

Oh, poor young man! He sits downcast;
 No chance remains
 For him to nobly free a race
 From galling chains.
 The great things have been done, alas!
 By craft or stealth
 The magnates have become possessed
 Of all the wealth.

The world has ceased to need men who
 were born to lead;
 He may not join the splendid few,
 By craft or stealth
 He came too late to win renown
 Or claim applause;
 He has no chance to be supreme
 In any cause.

Ah, poor young man, how sad his fate,
 How dread his lot,
 To have no hope of being great—
 And yet, why not?
 At Homer may, many a man
 Stuck out his tongue
 And told him that the greatest songs
 Had all been sung.
 —Chicago Record-Herald.

Tabloid Mother Goose.

There was a tabloid man,
 And he walked a tabloid mile.
 He found a tabloid sixpence
 Upon a tabloid stile.
 He bought a tabloid cat,
 Which caught a tabloid mouse,
 And they all lived together
 In a little tabloid house.
 —Judge.

Under the Mistletoe.

They stood beneath the mistletoe,
 Pretty Bees and bashful Joes,
 Stood and stood and stood and stood
 Like two solid blocks of wood.
 Till at last Joe said to Bees:
 "Might as well sit down, I guess."
 Bees just glared and said: "You can't
 I am waiting for a man!"
 —Town Topics.

SET BY BURGLARS.

Is the Belief Now in Connection With
 Big Center Rutland Fire.

Rutland, Dec. 27.—It was learned yester-
 day that the store of the Vermont
 Marble company at Center, Rutland,
 which was destroyed by fire Saturday,
 was in all probability set, accidentally
 or otherwise, by burglars. While Henry
 B. Adams of this city was walking with
 his dog in some woods a half mile from
 the ruins of the store, he noticed the
 animal sniffing at something in the snow
 and upon investigation found several
 pairs of shoes, combs, brushes and other
 articles. He at once suspected that they
 came from the store and took them to
 former Manager Elmer K. Slade, who
 identified them as a part of his stock.

As the store was a mass of flames
 when the fire was first discovered, the
 room being so full of smoke that Mr.
 Slade could not even get his account
 books in the room near the front door, it
 is not likely that the things were stolen
 while the fire was in progress, and the
 authorities believe that the fire was the
 work of burglars. The sheriff depart-
 ment is working on two or three clues,
 but the officers will say nothing as to
 suspects. The loss by the fire was nearly
 \$30,000.

Reconstructing Burlington Breakwater.

An expenditure of \$50,000 has been
 made this year upon Burlington break-
 water, Lake Champlain, which harbors
 the city from the strong west winds and
 secures the feet of the Champlain
 Transportation Co. of line steamers as
 well as the hundreds of smaller craft
 which find haven in Burlington bay.

The work is being done by James E.
 Cashman, of Boston, who has been em-
 ployed at similar operations upon the
 structure for the past five years.
 Something like \$200,000 has been laid
 out upon repairs to the breakwater
 within this period and there is work
 which will take a few years longer to
 complete. It is probable that another
 appropriation will be asked from Con-
 gress for this purpose.

The work this season has been, for
 the most part, submarine, a diver be-
 ing employed almost the entire time
 beneath the surface, at times working
 thirty feet below. His work consisted
 in clearing away the worst timbers and
 placing new material to form a firm
 foundation to the structure, which, in
 the course of sixty years, had become
 unsound.

Great cement blocks were manufac-
 tured on the spot and sunk, gradually
 building up a splendid structure.

The work was watched with much
 interest by residents who visited the
 scene in launches and rowboats almost
 daily.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fitch of Morris-
 ville, who will have been married fifty
 years Sunday, will celebrate the event
 in a quiet way by giving a dinner Sat-
 urday to their relatives.

100 LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

WANTED—(411) for general household. An-
 apply to 165 Washington street.

LOST—Between Jonestown and Bolton Falls,
 last Monday, female rabbit dog, black and red.
 Finder please return to or notify John Novak,
 5 Howard street, Barre, Vt.

WANTED—Position as all-round menial-
 domestic. Address "E. Times," 311 1/2

FURNISHED ROOM TO RENT—At 18 Central
 street. Mrs. W. H. Jones.

A. A. SMITH & BRO.

REMARKABLE CUT PRICE
 SALE.

Footwear at Cut Prices!

Lot \$2.50 and \$3.00 Felt
 and Sheepskin Shoes 1.98
 Lot \$3.50 Felt Shoes 2.98
 Lot \$1.75 1-Buckle Rub-
 bers - - - 1.49
 Lot Rolled Edge Rub-
 bers - - - 79c
 Lot Snow Excluders, worth
 \$3.75, only - 3.29

HOSIERY HOSIERY

Lot 50c Cashmere Hose,
 only - - - 33c
 Lot 25c Wool and Cash-
 mere Hose - 19c
 Lot extra heavy Wool
 Socks, equal to home
 knit, - - - 49c

Underwear Reduction Sale

Lot \$1.75 extra fine Wool
 Underwear to close, for
 Shirts - - - 1.29
 For Drawers - 1.19
 Lot \$1.25 Wool Under-
 wear - - - 89c
 Lot extra heavy Fleeced
 Underwear - 49c

A.A. SMITH & BRO.

Men's Outfitters.
 Miles' Granite Block, - - Barre, Vt.

GROTON.

Dr. Fox of Topsham was in town
 Monday.

Miss Inez Parks went to Wells River
 Wednesday.

E. F. Clark made a business trip to
 Montpelier Thursday.

William Ricker of Woodsville, N. H.,
 is visiting relatives in town.

Mrs. F. P. Downs and Miss Carrie,
 went to St. Johnsbury Thursday.

Mrs. Marie Beath was in Montpelier
 several days last week visiting friends.

Wilson Pillsbury returned from Mont-
 pelier Thursday where he went Tues-
 day to spend Christmas.

Mrs. Tiddie Hill and little son of
 Barre arrived in town Tuesday to visit
 her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Larrow.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett went to
 Montpelier Tuesday to spend Christ-
 mas at the home of their daughter, Mrs.
 Harry Carlton.

Clyde M. Coffin, who has been spend-
 ing a week in town, returned to St. Al-
 bans Thursday. Morris Coffin also re-
 turned to Burlington the same after-
 noon.

George W. Whitehill of St. Johnsbury
 is at the home of his parents, Mr. and
 Mrs. M. H. Whitehill, for a two weeks'
 vacation from his work in the Fair-
 bank scale works.

Mrs. Joseph Raymond gave a party
 Thursday evening in honor of her sister,
 Miss Lora Lallele, who will soon leave
 for her home in Canada. A large num-
 ber were present and an enjoyable even-
 ing was passed in playing games and
 dancing. Refreshments of cake and
 coffee were served.

Among those from out of town who
 spent Christmas with friends here were
 Ralph Pillsbury of Bellows Falls and
 brother, Waldo, of Keene, N. H. Morris
 Coffin of Burlington, Mr. and Mrs.
 Ernest Keenan of South Ryegate, Waldo
 Glover of Boston, Mass., and Mr. and
 Mrs. William Reid and son, Edwin, of
 Montpelier.

Mr. G. C. Corwin of this place and
 Miss Theresa Darling were married
 Wednesday evening at the home of the
 bride's father, Dr. G. W. Darling, of
 South Ryegate. After a short wedding
 trip they will return here where they
 will make their home. Dr. Corwin has
 many friends here and is well known
 a few years ago, and he has built up a
 good practice in dentistry. All will be
 glad to welcome his bride.

TAKING OUT THOSE DESKS.

The Unique Luxury of the House of
 Representatives.

"The plan to replace the desks in the
 House of Representatives with benches
 is merely an attempt to put that body
 on an equal footing with the principal
 deliberative bodies of the civilized
 nations of the globe," said Representative
 Henry Sherman of Illinois, who is
 here to confer with Architect Woods
 of the Capitol about the scheme which
 he has proposed. Mr. Sherman feels high-
 ly gratified at the commendation with
 which his plan has been received, and is
 preparing the resolution, which he will
 present on the opening day of Congress.

"I say this," continued Mr. Sherman,
 at the Arlington last night, "because it has
 been suggested that this is an attempt
 to copy after the British House of Com-
 mons. So far as I know, we are the
 only great nation in which the popular
 deliberative body is so arranged as to
 permit of debate and the transaction of
 ordinary office business at the same
 time. The two do not work well togeth-
 er, and now that the House office build-
 ing is nearly completed, it is time that
 something should be done to improve the
 congested condition of the House."

"We are confronted with the actual
 condition that the House is becoming so
 large that a change must soon be made.
 There is no chance of reducing it nu-
 merically, because an attempt to do so
 would tend to diminish the strength of
 the old states, while increasing that of
 the new ones. To my mind, the more
 I think of it, this plan of cutting down
 the size of the House half one-half and
 putting in benches appears the proper
 solution of the difficulty. I believe this
 is the psychological moment to push it."

"My plan is practically the same as
 earnestly recommended by Speaker Reed
 ten years ago, when the House was not
 so large as now. I have revived it,
 and from what I hear from Mr. Watson
 of Indiana, Mr. McCall of Massachusetts
 and other colleagues of mine, I have
 hopes that it will be carried into real-
 ization. The change could easily be made
 in a recess of Congress and would cost
 about \$250,000. To enlarge the present
 House, as has been proposed, by taking
 out the members' lobby and placing the
 speaker's desk against the extreme south
 wall, would, in my opinion, only accom-
 modate the present difficulty of hearing
 and the general cumbersome condition of
 the House as a deliberative body. People
 have written me letters from all over
 the country favoring the bench plan,
 perhaps because it would make the pro-
 ceedings of the House more interesting
 to them."—Washington Post.

Magazine Portraiture.

[Charles H. Coffin, art critic, protests
 against the "beauty and girl" pictures
 that fill the magazines.—Art News.]
 Oh, the magazine world is the strangest
 place.

And full of the strangest people:
 The men are moulded on Gibson lines,
 And each woman as tall as a steeple;
 And the heroine's never in slippish garb.

Are given to chronic moaning:
 From the frontispiece to the razor ads
 They're eternally spooning, spooning.
 The hero is never pictured—ah, no—
 At his noonday pork and beanings;
 And the heroine's never in slippish garb,
 For that would be so demeaning!
 But always the two are dressed to kill,
 And gazing with hearts a-flutter,
 For that's the way the wise artist man
 Doth garner his bread and butter.

And so each month they appear once
 more
 With the same old ardent glances:
 And he who would wrest them from
 their place
 Is taking some desperate chances:
 For we who follow the current dog
 Would encourage no change a minute,
 Cause how could we stand a magazine
 Without a "spoon" picture in it?
 —Denver Republican.

BERLIN.

Ernest Bailey left for Boston Thurs-
 day.

Harold Davis is visiting friends in
 Berlin.

Leon Andrews has been suffering with
 jaundice.

Jesse Tebbetts has been spending the
 holidays with friends in Berlin.

Charles Crandall has returned to his
 home in Berlin to spend the holidays.

The skating on Mirror lake is excel-
 lent. The ice is about eight inches deep.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Currier of Boston
 and children are spending Christmas with
 her father, George Crandall.

Mrs. Charles Andrews' sudden death
 came on Sunday. She left two children,
 Bert Andrews and Mrs. Herbert Willey.

Richard Crandall was pleasantly sur-
 prised at his home Monday evening by
 a party of friends. The weather and
 traveling was so poor that many were
 unable to attend. The party broke up at
 a late hour, all having had a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barney were
 pleasantly surprised Saturday evening
 by a host of their young friends. The
 evening was pleasantly spent in music
 and dancing. Refreshments of cake and
 coffee were served. During the evening
 Ernest Bailey in behalf of those present
 presented them half a dozen knives and
 forks and two large silver spoons. Mr.
 Barney thanked the company as best he
 could.

The Christmas tree at the church on
 Tuesday evening was well attended.
 The speaking and music were enjoyed
 by a large number present. The Chris-
 mas tree suffered because of the many
 individual trees in the neighborhood.
 Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Fraser were pre-
 sented a large sum of money, both from
 the church and schoolhouse parishes.
 The Christmas tree at the schoolhouse
 Thursday evening was well attended.
 Messrs. Selma and Rochester furnished
 selections on the gramophone. Miss Chat-
 field's choir furnished music. The chil-
 dren's recitations were well appreciated.
 Mr. Fraser impersonated Santa Claus.

BARRE OPERA HOUSE

FOX & FATON, Lessees.
 J. E. HOBAN, Resident Mgr.

Saturday, Dec. 28

Charles Frohman Presents
 THE MOST SUCCESSFUL
 PLAY OF THE CENTURY

PETER PAN

OR—
 The Boy Who Wouldn't Grow Up

BY J. M. BARRIE
 AUTHOR OF
 THE LITTLE MINISTER

Prices, - 50c, 75c and \$1.00
 Four front rows, - \$1.50

Tickets now on sale at Kendrick's
 drug store.

BARRE OPERA HOUSE

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Week Beginning Dec. 30

THE
 Lorne Elwyn Co.

SUPPORTING
 GLADYS GREY



Monday, "ANITA"
 Tuesday, "LENA RIVERS"
 Wednesday, "A ROYAL PRISONER"
 Thursday, "THE ARRIVAL OF MOLLY"
 Friday, "LES DIVOCONS"
 Saturday, "WHO SHALL JUDGE HER"

and the strongest list of specialties ever
 seen in Barre, including
 Edmunds and Codaire, Acrobatic Comed-
 ians

The Great Gaspard, King of the Whirl-
 ing Wheels
 Baby June, the Child Wonder
 Stella May, Eccentric Dancer
 May Maxwell, Singing and Dancing Sou-
 brette
 Illustrated Songs
 Will Kralow, Singing Comedian
 and the American Magician, Davis

Prices, - 10c, 20c and 30c

Ladies' 15c tickets for Monday night
 are limited to 300, and must be secured
 at the advance sale. Sale opens Satur-
 day morning at Kendrick's drug store.

STOCK TAKING SALE

We must reduce our stock before we take an inven-
 tory. Mark-down sale in every department in this store.

Babies' Coats, Bonnets and Muffs!

White, Grey, Red and Brown Bearskin Coats re-
 duced now to \$1.98, 2.50, 2.98 and 3.75.

Baby Bonnets reduced to 19c, 25c, 39c. Better
 ones reduced the same way.

FURS—All our Ladies' Fur Scarfs, all new this
 year, must be sold—many below cost price range, like
 this: \$5.00 Fur Scarfs for \$2.98. Better ones reduced
 the same way.

Saturday, Clean-up Sale on Waists!

Sizes broken up from our big Christmas Waist
 sale. \$1.19 Waists will be 59c, \$1.25 Waists, soiled,
 will be 79c and \$1.25 and \$1.98 Waists, only sizes bro-
 ken, will be 98c.

BARGAINS—All our Christmas goods must be
 closed out before New Years. A good time to buy
 your New Year's gifts.